

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Claims 8 and 11 are cancelled. Claims 1, 3, 5, 9, 10, and 12-16 are amended. New claims 18-30 are added. Support for the amendments can be found at, e.g., originally filed claims 1-17. The amendments are submitted to place the claims in better format. No new matter is added. Specifically, claim 1 is amended to incorporate some features of the previously presented claim 8, which is now cancelled. Claims 3, 5, 9, 10, and 12-16 are amended to eliminate the narrower embodiments specified together in the same claim with a broader limitation. New claims 18-28 are added to re-insert the preferred embodiments respectively described in previously presented claims 1, 3, 5, 9, 10, and 12-16. Claims 22 and 23 are added based on the previously presented claim 11, which is now cancelled. Entry of the above amendments is respectfully solicited. Upon entry of the above amendments, claims 1-7, 9, 10, and 12-30 are pending. Reconsideration of the present application in view of the above amendments and the following remarks is respectfully solicited.

Claim Objections

Claim 7 is objected to due the lack of an antecedent basis for “the green secondary emission.” The dependency of Claim 7 has now been amended to obviate this deficiency. Withdrawal of this objection is respectfully requested.

Claim Rejections under 35 U.S.C. § 112

Claims 1-17 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph as being indefinite, due to several informalities. These informalities have now been corrected in a self-explanatory way with the above-presented amendments to the claims. Withdrawal of this rejection is respectfully requested.

Claim Rejections under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e)

Claims 1-3 and 7-17 have been rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e) as being anticipated by Delsing (WO 2004/030109).

Delsing is an International Application filed September 23, 2003, which is only one day earlier than the German priority application date of the present application. A verified English translation of our German priority application is submitted herewith to perfect Applicants' priority claim.

As shown in Applicants' Declaration under 37 CFR 131 and exhibits thereto, which are submitted concurrently herewith, Applicants have an invention date that is earlier than the September 23, 2003 international filing date of Delsing. Applicants have therefore properly disqualified Delsing from being applied as prior art against the present application under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e).

Accordingly, the rejection of claims 1-3 and 7-17 under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e) as being anticipated by Delsing has now become moot. Withdrawal of this rejection is respectfully requested.

Claim Rejections under 35 U.S.C. § 103

Claims 4-6 have been rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being obvious over Delsing in view of Maas (US 6,539,656).

As stated above, the primary reference Delsing is not properly applied as prior art against the present application. Therefore, the rejection of claims 4-6 under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e) as being obvious over Delsing in view of Maas has now become moot. Withdrawal of this rejection is respectfully requested.

Based on the foregoing, the present application has now been placed in condition of allowance. Early and favorably consideration is respectfully requested.

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